

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application)	
)	Examiner: Patrick J. Nolan
Inventor(s): Hanswalter Zentgraf et al.)	
)	Art Unit: 1644
Application No.: 10/686,355)	
)	Confirmation No.: 6701
Filed: October 14, 2003)	
)	Customer No.: 021971
Title: Antibodies Active Against a Fusion)	
<u>Polypeptide Comprising a Histidine Portion</u>)	

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

The Office Action dated January 12, 2006, has been carefully considered. The shortened statutory period for response expired on February 12, 2006. This Response is submitted after the shortened statutory period for reply, therefore an extension fee is required to enter this Amendment. This Response is accompanied with a three month Extension of Time fee paid by electronic filing under § 1.136 extending the time for response to May 12, 2006, and is therefore timely filed. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.